

Johnson College I.C.

July 7 - 1897 -

The Board of Trustees met at the college this P.M.

Present, Messrs. ~~Mr~~ Simpson, Ellerke, Lillman, Hardin, Lindof, Bowen, Bradley, Stackhouse, Hannamaker, Donaldson, Norris, Relearn & Mauldin -

Proceedings of last meeting was read and confirmed - Mr. Tompkins appeared before the Board on invitation and made an exhaustive argument on textile education at the college.

Lecture by
Mr Tompkins
on Textile
Education

Craighead's
Resignation

Pres. Simpson tendered the resignation of E.B. Craighead as President & Director, to take effect Sept. 1st and action was postponed until tomorrow.

Tompkins'
Resignation

Resignation of Stonewall Tompkins (Prof Mech & Eng.) was tendered to take place Sept 1st. Board then took a recess until 8.30 A.M. 8th inst.

July 8th

Board met at 8.30 a.m. All present. Resolved; that Prof. Morrison, by himself or with the assistance of other members of the Faculty, be requested to make a thorough examination of letters and papers of Mr Calhoun, now in the possession of the College. That he shall number & catalogue the same, giving name of writer & date & subject; separating letters of a private nature from the others, and placing all those bearing on the same subject or from the same persons in bundles to themselves, so that it will be

Prof Morrison
to Catalogue
Calhoun papers

easy to find any given letter and know of what it treats: and that \$5000 be appropriated for same - Report to be made at next meeting of Board
 Resolved That John & Pat Calhoun be notified of this action on the part of the Board and a copy of resolutions passed at a prior meeting be sent them
 Resolved That Sullivan & Cochran be paid \$2500 per month for services as tutors.

Pd. Craighead
 \$3000 for Book Cases

Resolved That Pres. Craighead be paid \$3000 for Book Cases.

ESB's resignation
 accepted
 Sampkins resignation
 accepted

Resolved That the Resignation of ESB, Craighead as Pres. & Director be accepted
 Resolved That the Resignation of Stonewell Sampkins, Prof. Mech & Eng. be accepted.

Board Health's
 Report read
 & resolution
 adopted as follows

Report of S.C. Board of Health was read & read & discussed (Read Report)
 And the following resolution was adopted.
 The Board of Trustees, mindful of the important trust in their charge, feel called on to make a statement for the information of the people of the State in regard to the sickness at the College and its causes.

We have read the Report of the State Board of Health and have also had under consideration the Report of the College Surgeon, Dr. Redfern.

In addition to the light thrown thus upon the subject, we have made a personal examination of the College Buildings and surrounding grounds, and we are not satisfied at all as to the nature of the fever which has prevailed, or

as to its cause -

We have great respect for the Scientific ability and Learning of the members of the State Board of Health, but we are bound to question their conclusions, from the fact that eminent physicians in the neighboring Counties have declared the fever at the College to have been Malarial and not Typhoid in its nature and there is grave doubt whether there were more than four (4) cases of Typhoid fever at the College this year less than the usual number.

The cursory and imperfect examination made by the State Board Health is shown by the fact that two (2) palpable errors are made in their report.

The Dairy which they place under the ban as a cause of probable disease, was not built on a pond which had to be filled in & there is not a single privy on the "surrounding hills" above the Dairy house.

The water from every one of these privies reaches the ravine below the Dairy. Then the statement is made three (3) separate times that the water-closets should be out-side the Barracks & not inside & should be "detached" from them. In fact, the water closets were removed from the Building two (2) years ago and they are now detached with an open current of air passing between - They are reached by a latticed gallery fifteen (15) feet long and there is no possibility of sewer gas getting into the Building.

Board of Health

But we are not disposed to criticise the State Board of Health and will carry out all their recommendations that are feasible and leave no stone unturned to allay all cause of doubt as to the proper sanitation of the College Buildings & grounds.

We have never had any trouble before and we anticipate none in the future - other than the usual climatic and unavoidable diseases of the Country.

The vacation will be changed and instead of being in the winter will be in summer - the scholastic year beginning on the 2nd Wednesday in Sept. hereafter - and closing on the 2nd Wednesday in June.

Every suggested or possible cause of fever will be removed and the Buildings thoroughly disinfected and put in good order -

We do not hesitate to give assurance that the College will be guarded against a recurrence of the trouble if it be possible.

Dr. Redfearn
Report

Dr. Redfearn made the following report: Gentlemen of the Board of Trustees; I beg to submit for your consideration the following recommendations in regard to the improved sanitary conditions of the Barracks, the water-closets, the protection of the water supply, as well as the completion of work already begun on the old sewer discharge and the clay holes in the bottoms.

1st I recommend that the capacity of the water-closets be doubled by utilizing the lower floor of the present Buildings. The cost will be only the expense

It incurred in the purchase of the bowls & seats and tanks and connections for the down pipes from the closets on the floor above. I recommend that individual tanks with pulls be used instead of the Automatic flushing tanks now in use; this will relieve the necessity of utilizing the hills above the mill for the deposit of excreta and remove so far as I know the only possible source of contamination to our water supply, with the additional safeguard of emphatic instructions from your Board to the supreme authority to enforce the suggestions for the protection of the mill, by the Surgeon.

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2nd I recommend that the work of filling up the bed of the old sewer discharge be properly underdrained & that the clay holes in the Bottoms be filled up.

3rd I recommend that the recommendations I made to your Board two years ago, to wit: The construction of a 10 or 12 ft cement border around the area-way of the inner wall of the Barracks, be laid so as to prevent the absorption of slopes which are thrown out of the windows & also the repairs of that on outside walls.

4th In regard to the Barracks Building itself, I am at a loss to know what is best to recommend to your Board. The ventilation underneath the Building needs increasing as well as drainage. The system of heating and venti-

lation of the Building itself is both inadequate and defective.

When the rooms are heated by the radiators the air is warm as well as moist & contains impurities; carbonic acid gas as well as ~~impurities~~ exhalations, for the reason that with windows only it is impossible to change the air frequently enough to keep it in a state of wholesome purity.

I have devoted a good deal of study to the proper solution of this question and I think that the best and most sensible suggestion I can make you is to recommend that the services of some Sanitary Builder & Contractor be consulted as to the best means of making the changes that will best accomplish the purpose with the present Building & appliances.

Lastly: I recommend that a summer vacation extending from the first or ~~2nd~~ week in ~~Sept~~ June to the last of Sept or first of October, be given in place of the winter vacation.

I believe this to be a necessity for the reasons of study as well as the health of the students; this will cover our heated term of the summer months, a time when according to our experience here, we may expect fevers to prevail; further I believe that every single A. & M. College in the U.S. that has tried summer work has abandoned it, principally for the reason of increased sickness.

I hope that whatever imperfections

in the construction of this paper may appear, will be charged to its hurried construction

Respectfully Submitted

H. M. Redfearn, M.D.

Olumian College, S.C. July 8th '97

Dr. S + R
to renovate
Barracks,
etc etc

Resolved; That Drs. Sloan + Redfearn be & are hereby authorized to have the Barracks renovated by having the floors, wainscoting, ceiling painted, and the walls calcimined, and have a cement walk around the inner wall erected twelve (12) feet wide and the cement walk around the outside repaired and a cement gutter at the edge of each, and all grounds around the Barracks shall be so constructed and filled in as to prevent the accumulation of water & all water & filth cleaned up - Also have constructed suitable and proper sidewalks or pavements radiating from the Barracks to the several lecture & class rooms & work shops.

Resolved; That all private privies be kept in the very best order by the use of dry earth and that the sewers be thoroughly overhauled and any defects therein mended or removed & That they have the rooms in Barracks thoroughly ventilated.

Dr. Babcock
to be asked
to commit
C&S to con-
fer with Dr
R. & Dr S.

Resolved; That Dr Babcock be requested by Gov. Elmer to confer with Dr. Redfearn and other physicians who treated the cases of fever and report to Board at next meeting, what further steps, if any, should be taken to remove the cause of sickness -

Resolved; That here after there shall be

Vacation to
be changed

but one regular vacation for this College. The term shall begin the 2nd Wednesday in September and end the 2nd Wednesday in June and shall be divided into four (4) quarters. X The next session shall begin on the 2nd Wednesday in Sept. and Commencement shall be on the 2nd Wednesday in July 1898, at which time

Date of graduation of Senior class

The present Senior Class shall graduate. But thereafter, all Commencements shall be held on the Wednesday before the 2nd Thursday in June

Water closets
to be enlarged

Resolved: That 16 additional seats be placed in the lower floor of the water closets, & that there as well as those above, be made individual flushers.

Resolution of
Regts as to
E.B.O. & S.J.

Whereas, President E.B. Craighead has declined peremptorily to recall his resignation as Head of Clemson College - Be it resolved: That we the Board of Trustees desire to express our regret at parting with him and to extend our best wishes in his new field of labor.

Whereas: Prof. Stonewall Tompkins has severed his connection with Clemson College therefore be it resolved: That we the Board of Trustees desire to express our regret at parting with him & to extend our hearty good wishes for his success in his new field of labor -

That the Sec. be instructed to furnish a copy of these resolutions to the above named gentlemen -

Salary Committee appointed

Messrs. Morris, Brown & Tindal were appointed a committee to take up consideration of salaries and report at next meeting.

\$325 to Lee
+ Klugh

Salaries of Lee & Klugh were increased
to \$325⁰⁰ per annum -

Tuition to be
charged
of the Supr

Resolved: That Tuition Charges be made
on and from 2nd Wednesday in Sept.

Dr. Quick presented the following Resignation.

Union Agl College - July 8th 1897

Dr. Quick's

Resignation

To the Hon. Board of Trustees -
Gentlemen -

In consideration for my health &
in view of the fact that your Honorable
Body see proper to decline to confer upon
me the Directorship for which I day-be-
fore made application and to grant me
absolute control of the Dpt. of Agriculture,
and feeling that my services will be
more fully appreciated elsewhere, I hereby
respectfully tender my resignation to
take effect three (3) months from this
date (above written) as per agreement.

Respectfully,

Walter J. Quick.

above
accepted

Resolved: That resignation of Dr. Quick
be accepted and that he be granted a furlough
for balance of his term and that he be
requested to turn over all property of Station
to the President as soon as practicable.

That salary of Dr. Quick be paid until
the end of his term as soon as above
resolution is complied with.

Newman
elected
vice Quick

Prof. Newman was elected to succeed
Dr. Quick by eleven (11) votes -

Resolved: That Prof Newman be notified
that his official connection with the College
begin three (3) months from today (9th)
but that he be requested to come here
as soon as practicable -

Senator Dillman was requested to

Sen. Tillman to
get a naval
officer vice
Comptroller

Dutrie's appor-
priation
renewed

look after a naval officer to supply the place
made vacant by resignation of Prof. Dampkins.

Resolved: That the permit & appropriation
for Prof. Dutrie made, be renewed.

Election of President was postponed
until next meeting.

Resolved: That Pres. & Treas. be author-
ized to draw their checks for all
expenditures ordered at this meeting -
(all voted aye)

Investigating
Committee

Messrs. Donaldson Slackhouse and
Gindal were appointed a committee
to investigate affairs of the College.

Board adjourned to regular
meeting. August 4th 1897

Read and approved. Aug 4th

J. H. Stoddard
Secy. Mess